Volume 2
Chapter 2

IT'LL TAKE ME ALL DAY TO DEAL WITH EVERY ONE OF THEM!!
DAMN! WHY ARE THERE SO MANY OF THEM!?
SFX: LEAP
WHOA!
THAT I COULDN'T POSSIBLY BE ARSED TO FIGHT THEM ALL OFF WITH MY SPEAR
ON MY WAY TO ALCAPA, I KEPT RUNNING INTO SUCH A LARGE NUMBER OF MONSTERS
BAKI FLEES.
SFX: SLIDE
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AND HERE WE GO!!
WHEW..
OKAY, LET'S GET GOIN-
BUT THE ENEMY BLOCKS THE WAY!
SFX: THUD THUD THUD
SFX: CRACK

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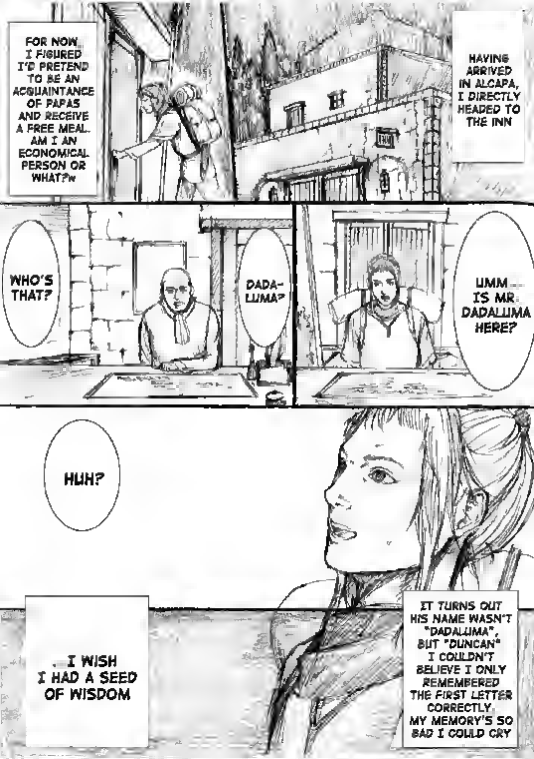
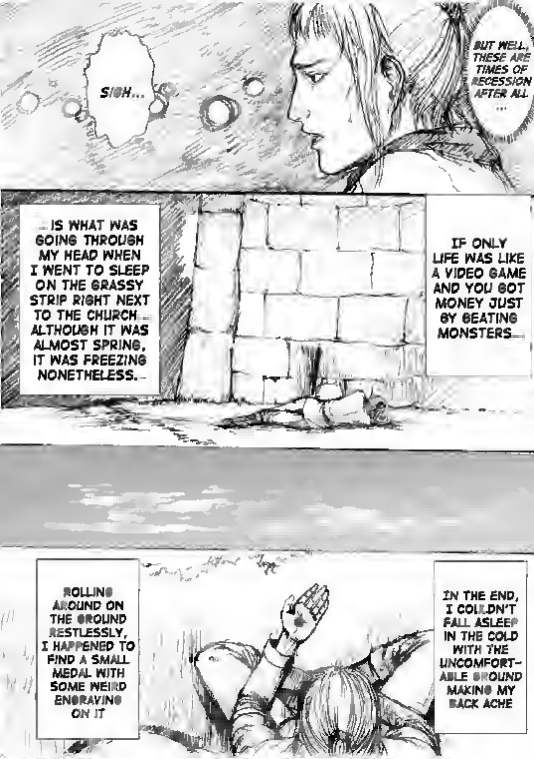
GETTING CHASED DOWN BY A FLOCK OF KUKKLES AND ALMOST BEING STOMPED TO DEATH. A NICE MEMORY
USING UP ALL OF MY MEDICAL HERBS BEFORE EVEN GETTING TO ALCAPA. ANOTHER NICE MEMORY
WELL, I FEARED IT'D TURN OUT THIS WAY...
I WAS AT THE END OF MY ROPE WHEN I FINALLY MADE IT TO ALCAPA.
THE SUN HAD LONG SET AND IT WAS COMPLETELY DARK OUTSIDE
THEN USING UP ALL MY MP WITH A SINGLE CAST OF HEAL. PRICELESS...


FOR NOW, I FIGURED I'D PRETEND TO BE AN ACQUAINTANCE OF PAPAS AND RECEIVE A FREE MEAL. AM I AN ECONOMICAL PERSON OR WHAT?w
HAVING ARRIVED IN ALCAPA, I DIRECTLY HEADED TO THE INN
WHO'S THAT?
DADA-LUMA?
UMM... IS MR. DADALUMA HERE?
HUH?
IT TURNS OUT HIS NAME WASN'T "DADALUMA", BUT "DUNCAN" I COULDN'T BELIEVE I ONLY REMEMBERED THE FIRST LETTER CORRECTLY. MY MEMORY'S SO BAD I COULD CRY
...I WISH I HAD A SEED OF WISDOM

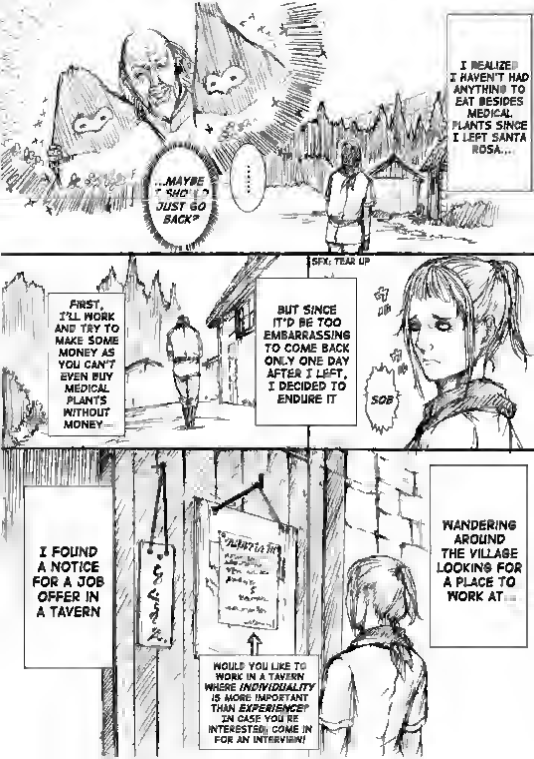
I ASKED ABOUT DUNCAN'S WHERE-ABOUTS
AH, OR MAYBE THERE IS A DIFFERENT INN IN THIS VILLAGE ..?
UMM.. I HEARD HE WAS RUNNING AN INN HERE..
WELL, ENOUGH ABOUT THAT
THANK YOU VERY MUCH
AH!! LOOKING FOR THE BATH? YOU CAN FIND OUR PROUD OPEN-AIR BATH OUTSIDE ON THE RIGHT!
IF IT'S DUNCAN YOU WANT, HE LEFT TOWN WITH HIS FAMILY A WHILE AGO
OH BOY... SO MUCH FOR MY ONLY LEAD
SIS! WHAT IF HE HEARS YOU!?
DID YOU SEE THAT LAME GUY ..?

IT'S 100 G A NIGHT
100!?
SINCE IT WAS ALREADY LATE AND I DIDN'T HAVE MANY HP LEFT, I FIGURED I'D SPEND THE NIGHT AT THE INN, BUT...
UMM... HOW MUCH FOR ONE NIGHT?
OH WELL. CAN'T HELP IT IF HE'S GONE
SIR... COUNT AS MANY TIMES AS YOU WANT, BUT YOU ONLY HAVE 92 G...
92...
90, 91, 92...
YOU KNOW HOW HOTELS USUALLY MAKE YOU PAY MORE WHEN YOU SET A DOUBLE ROOM BY YOURSELF? THIS IS KINDA LIKE THAT
LOOK, SIR... WE DON'T HAVE ANY SINGLE ROOMS AT OUR INN
WHAT A LOAD OF BULLSHIT! 100 G A NIGHT IS A FRIGGING RIP-OFF, ISN'T IT!?


SIGH...
BUT WELL, THESE ARE TIMES OF RECESSION AFTER ALL...
...IS WHAT WAS GOING THROUGH MY HEAD WHEN I WENT TO SLEEP ON THE GRASSY STRIP RIGHT NEXT TO THE CHURCH... ALTHOUGH IT WAS ALMOST SPRING, IT WAS FREEZING NONETHELESS...
IF ONLY LIFE WAS LIKE A VIDEO GAME AND YOU GOT MONEY JUST BY BEATING MONSTERS...
ROLLING AROUND ON THE GROUND RESTLESSLY, I HAPPENED TO FIND A SMALL MEDAL WITH SOME WEIRD ENGRAVING ON IT
IN THE END, I COULDN'T FALL ASLEEP IN THE COLD WITH THE UNCOMFORTABLE GROUND MAKING MY BACK ACHE

TRYING NOT TO COUNT MY CHICKENS BEFORE THEY HATCH, I HEADED TO THE ITEM SHOP
...I MIGHT BE ABLE TO SELL THIS!
I'M SORRY, BUT WE CANNOT BUY THIS
HUH?
THIS IS A "MINI MEDAL" ITEM SHOPS AND OTHER SHOPS AREN'T ALLOWED TO DEAL WITH THEM
THE MEDAL KING IS THE ONLY PERSON ENTITLED TO PURCHASE MINI MEDALS
THE MEDAL KING?

I DON'T HAVE THE FAINTEST IDEA
WHERE CAN I FIND THE MEDAL KING?
PLEASE VISIT US AGAIN!
GAKI HAS REGAINED THE MINI MEDAL..
IRRITATED THAT I COULDN'T SELL IT, I FELT THE SUDDEN URGE TO THROW IT AWAY, BUT DECIDED AGAINST IT AS IT MAY STILL COME IN HANDY SOMEDAY. POSITIVE THINKING AT ITS FINEST
I GUESS SELLING SOMETHING I PICKED OFF THE GROUND WOULD'VE BEEN A BIT TOO EASY
GROWL


I REALIZE I HAVEN'T HAD ANYTHING TO EAT BESIDES MEDICAL PLANTS SINCE I LEFT SANTA ROSA...
...MAYBE I SHOULD JUST GO BACK?
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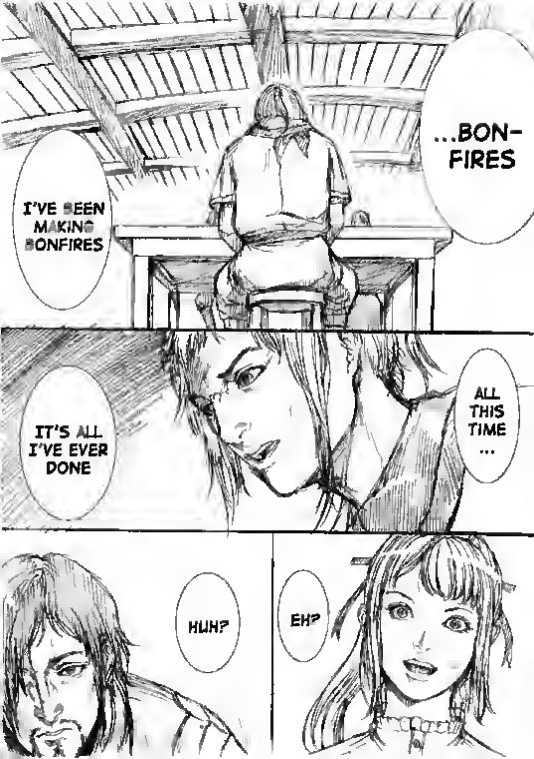
SFX: TEAR UP
FIRST, I'LL WORK AND TRY TO MAKE SOME MONEY AS YOU CAN'T EVEN BUY MEDICAL PLANTS WITHOUT MONEY
BUT SINCE IT'D BE TOO EMBARRASSING TO COME BACK ONLY ONE DAY AFTER I LEFT, I DECIDED TO ENDURE IT
SOB
I FOUND A NOTICE FOR A JOB OFFER IN A TAVERN
WANDERING AROUND THE VILLAGE LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO WORK AT...
WOULD YOU LIKE TO WORK IN A TAVERN WHERE INDIVIDUALITY IS MORE IMPOTANT THAN EXPERIENCE? IN CASE YOU RE INTERESTED, COME IN FOR AN INTERVIEW!

EXCUSE ME, I HAPPENED TO READ THE NOTICE OUTSIDE
A TAVERN, HUH. WHO CARES, I'LL JUST GIVE IT A SHOT
AH!
WEL-COME!
...
SO YOU'RE HERE FOR AN INTER-VIEW? GIVE ME A MINUTE THEN
AH, SHE SEEMS LIKE A NICE PERSON

I'M NOT FROM HERE
EH... AH... YES
YOU NEW HERE?
WHO ARE YOU...? NEVER SEEN YOU AROUND THESE PARTS
ALL RIGHT YOU CAN COUNT ME IN, SERIA I'LL DO THE INTERVIEW WITH YOU!
MY JOB IS TO PROTECT THIS VILLAGE...
WHY THE HELL NOT?
??
JEEZ
SO IT'S MY DUTY TO FIND OUT AS MUCH AS I CAN ABOUT NEW PEOPLE IN TOWN
NO WAY, XENO!!

WHERE ARE YOU FROM ANYWAY? HUH!?
NO, FIRST OF ALL, YOU BETTER WIPE THAT CREEPY SMILE OFF YOUR FACE
FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU FOR DROPPING BY FOR AN INTERVIEW TODAY
ERRR, OKAY, MR. BAKI!
WHAT!!? I CAN'T HEAR YOU! SPEAK UP!
SA-SANTA ROSA...
I'M ONLY WORKING AS A GATE GUARD IN THIS VILLAGE BECAUSE THIS BROAD BEGGE... ME TO!!
BY THE WAY, I'VE SERVED AS A SOLDIER OVER IN REINHART FOR TEN YEARS
AND YOU'RE TOO LOUD
PLEASE TELL US ABOUT YOUR WORK HISTORY, MR. BAKI

I'VE BEEN A NEET ..
SFX: CLANK
IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'RE A WORTHLESS PIECE OF SHIT!!
WHAT THE HELL!? A NEET, YOU SAY!?
EH!? YOU MEAN YOU'VE NEVER WORKED?
SFX: THUMP
OH, RIGHT— GOOD QUES-TION
—UMM, THEN— WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING SO FAR IF NOT WORKING?
AND PLEASE SPEAK UP
IN THAT CASE, PLEASE TELL US THE TRUTH AS THERE'S NOTHING TO BE ASHAMED OF
AH, WAS THERE SOMETHING PREVENTING YOU FROM WORKING? A SERIOUS SICKNESS, MAYBE—?
WELL, I—
UMM—


...BON-FIRES
I'VE SEEN MAKING BONFIRES
ALL THIS TIME ...
IT'S ALL I'VE EVER DONE
HUH?
EH?

ERR...
.....
ARE YOU FUCKING WITH US!?
BONFIRES?
SAY SOME-THING!!
HEY!! YOU HEAR ME!?

I'D BEEN REDUCED TO A MENTAL WRECK
BY THE TIME THE INTER-VIEW WAS OVER...
THE WHOLE WORLD IS IN A STATE OF CHAOS BECAUSE OF FEROCIOUS MONSTERS AND THE ORDER OF LIGHT...
HAVEN'T YOUR PARENTS TAUGHT YOU ANY-THING?
WELL, HAVEN'T YOU HAD A CAREFREE LIFE!
EVEN A DAMN FREE-LOADER IS WORTH MORE THAN YOU...
OH RIGHT, YOU MUST HAVE BEEN MAKING A BONFIRE, HUH!?
NOW, WHAT WERE YOU DOING WHEN THAT HAPPENED, I WONDER
EVERYONE IN THIS VILLAGE KNOWS THAT YOUR HOME TOWN SANTA ROSA WAS WIPED OUT BY MONSTERS

WAIT, XENOII...
GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE...
FOR PIECES OF SHIT LIKE YOU
THERE ARE NO JOBS IN THIS VILLAGE...
I FELT LIKE DROPPING DEAD ON THE SPOT
I THOUGHT I'D GOTTEN MENTALLY STRONGER AFTER MY TRAINING IN SANTA ROSA BUT ALREADY I CLOSE TO GIVING UP
WELL, I CAN'T BLAME THEM... AFTER ALL, I'VE DONE ABSOLUTELY NOTHING WITH MY LIFE FOR SO LONG YEARS...
TODAY TOO- I'LL GO TO SLEEP WITH A GROWLING STOMACH NEXT TO THE CHURCH

Appendix:

Characters in chapter 2:

Baki

Boat man

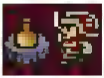
Dadaluma

Duncan

Owner of the inn

Seria

Xena



Mansters in chapter 2:

Kukkle (Grudgerigar)

Whackamale (Hammerhaad)

Lacatians in chapter 2:

- Santa Rasa (Whealbrook)
- Alcapa (Raundbeck)
- Reinhart (Caburg)